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Cpl. Aaron A. Rapp, bugler, Marine Band San Diego, spent his enlistment on the depot, where he played Taps at more than 400 military funerals. This feat helped him earn a Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal. Staff Sqt. Jeff Janowiec/Chevron

THE MUSIC MAN

He's marched in many a big parade, played Taps at 400-plus funerals

BY PFC. ALICIA SMALL Chevron staff

Out of a sincere devotion to play the final song for a Marine who has passed away, Cpl. Aaron A. Rapp, from Marine Band San Diego, performed Taps at a funeral July 13 at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery.

As a bugler, it was Rapp's 400th time rendering this honor.

During his three-and-a-half years with the band, Rapp has played his trumpet for numerous ceremonies aboard the depot and in support of the Western Recruiting Region.

Rapp, who is originally from Las Vegas, developed a love for music early in life.

Building a foundation for his career in music, he began playing piano when he was six. He also played the French horn during junior high before finding his instrument of choice, the trumpet. He said he made the trumpet his life.

Performing music was always a passion for him because of the emotional effect it had on people. It provided him with the ability to speak words through his music.

"Certain songs, chords and harmonies all trigger different feelings and emotions. You hear a song and can't explain why you like it-you just do," said Rapp. Two people provided Rapp with his musical inspiration

Rich Matta, his trumpet teacher and mentor as a child, proved to be the biggest inspiration for Rapp's appreciation for music.

During sessions with Matta, Rapp said he learned not just about music, but about life in general.

One of the character traits Matta said he saw in Rapp was his ability to deal with others without creating offense. It was tact that helped Rapp become a good trumpet player in the Marine Corps as he strived to cooperate with his peers and leaders.

Always willing to go the extra mile to help someone, Matta said it didn't surprise him that Rapp volunteered to perform at numerous funerals.

"Rapp is an outstanding Marine because he would take the shirt off his back at any time for anybody," said Sgt. Ronald A. Orange, saxophone player, Marine Band San Diego.

A second inspiration to play the trumpet came from Maynard Ferguson, a famous jazz musician.

Rapp said Ferguson took jazz from its infancy to the popular music it is now. He said he also learned perseverance as Ferguson is 78 years old and still playing.

"That's the good thing about music," said Rapp. "You can play until your dying day."

Using his musical talent to move the families and SEE **Rapp, pg. 2**

Young Marines

Teaching today's youth to be tomorrow's leaders

BY PFC. ALICIA SMALL Chevron staff

The Young Marines program is a non-profit youth education organization that proudly participates in community service projects and veteran's appreciation events.

Children may join the Young Marines program any time starting at age eight, and may participate throughout high school.

When they enroll in the program, they have to complete a nine-week cycle of Young Marines training. Training runs every Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., according to Michael Guiles, Temecula Valley Young Marines commanding officer and former Marine Corps staff sergeant.

During their training, the Young Marines learn about Marine Corps knowledge and close order drill. They also work on leadership qualities and how to maintain a healthy, drug-free life, said Guiles

Young Marine Pvt. Andrew Moralez, 13, said he enjoys the program because it has taught him responsibility and how to take care of himself. He plans on pursuing a career in the Marine Corps after he graduates from high school.

Guiles is very dedicated to the program and treats all Young Marines as if they were his own, said Madeline Blake, the mother of a Young Marine in the Temecula unit.

She said he makes sure the Young Marines are presented with opportunities other children may never receive, like traveling to the nation's capitol and visiting the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial.

Due to Guiles winning the 2005 Young Marines National Headquarters Volunteer of the Year Award, the Temecula Valley Young Marines were able to attend NASA Space Camp, said Blake.

The Young Marines program places a considerable amount of effort on education.

As a reward for good work, the Young Marines go on encampments. The unit visits Washington D.C. annually, and takes part in veterans' appreciation ceremonies. Thirty members of the unit were able to meet the commandant, assistant commandant and sergeant major of the Marine Corps during a visit to the Washington National Cathedral last November.

Discipline and hard work are major components of the Young Marine program.

Their program's success was proven in 2005 when the Temecula Valley Young Marines were awarded second place out of 290 for the Unit of the Year.

For more information on the Temecula Valley Young Marines program or to find a local group, e-mail Michael or Stephanie Guiles at TVYMadjud ant@verizon.net.



WILD WILD WEST

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San Diego Zoo, which is free to active duty military, has some of the coolest creatures around.

RECRUIT SPOTLIGHT

An uncle and nephew left their island nation to serve together, and they ended up in the same platoon.



FLAG FOOTBALL

New combined H&S team looks strong, shuts out 3rd Battalion.

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Capt. David R. Denial, commanding officer, Company I, received a Purple Heart for wounds sustained during Operation Iraqi Freedom. Lt. Col. Robert W. Jones, commanding officer, 3rd Recruit Training Battalion, pinned the medal on Denial here July 11. Ptc. Charlie Chavez/Chevron

Rapp, from pg. 1

friends of the deceased by playing Taps, Rapp said he felt like his tour with the band had extra special meaning, because he was afforded the chance to touch people's lives.

While performing funerals at the cemetery, Rapp stood ceremoniously by the same tree, which was about 25 head stones away from the pavilion where the families gathered.

Playing Taps as a lone bugler can be stressful because everyone is silent and hanging onto every note, said Rapp.

Taps is the last thing families hear before the funeral ceremony ends. When all ears are at attention, nerves and anxiety about making a mistake create a lot of pressure and make it challenging to play, said Rapp.

According to Rapp, his 400th funeral Taps was played per-

Taking it personally, Rapp has volunteered as often as possible for Taps to ensure that deceased Marines are given the respect they deserve, said Staff Sgt. Jerry A. Luczenczyn, a trumpet player with the band.

"It is hard not to get caught up on who the person was or how much the family missed their loved one," said Rapp.

Motivation to volunteer to play Taps at funerals came from Rapp's grandfather. The first funeral he played Taps at was his grandfather's shortly after he graduated from boot camp in

Rapp said he thinks about his grandfather every time he plays at a funeral and how proud he would be to know his grandson had touched 400 families in a heartfelt and meaning-

Having grown a lot during his years with the band and through performing at funerals, Rapp has learned to appreciate the Marine Corps more because of the positive lifelong effect it has on families.



Cpl. Aaron A. Rapp, 22, stands at attention before playing Taps at his 400th funeral as a Marine bugler. Staff Sqt. Jeff Janowiec/Chevrol



Three Marine Enlisted Commissioning Enlistment Program students were awarded \$1,000 scholarships from the Col. Nate Smith Scholarship Foundation. Pictured from left to right are Staff Sgt. Christopher C. Krusemark, Cpl. Alejandro Aguirre, Jacob Smith, Jan Smith, Liz Hansen and Sgt. Dale D. Dumo. Jan Smith is Col. Smith's widow, and Jacob Smith and Hansen are his grandchildren. Ptc. Charlie Chavez/Chevron

BRIEFS

Online National Security Personnel System course

Now is your opportunity to familiarize yourself with the National Security Personnel System (NSPS). Employees are encouraged to take this online course and print the certificate to be included into your DCPDS training record. Please drop off a copy of your certificate at the HRO building 7 West. Military supervisors and managers are also asked to drop a copy of the certificate.

The Department of Defense (DoD) web-based course, NSPS 101 is now available at http://www.cpms.osd.mil/ nsps/nsps101.

This 45-60 minute course provides an excellent overview of NSPS, including classification, conversion, compensation, performance management and workforce shaping. One notable feature of the course is a conversion tool with salary calculator, where employees can determine their new career group, pay schedule, pay band and an estimate of their within grade increase buy-in. You are welcome to send any questions you may have via e-mail to Aixa Bueltel at aixa.bueltel@usmc.mil.

HRO positions available

The Depot's Civil Service Human Resources Office is currently recruiting for several positions. To be considered, applicants must be within the area of consideration and have their resume in the HRSC-SW "CHARTS" system for the series. The following link will guide applicants in submitting their resume: http://www.donhr.navy.mil/Jobs/ default.asp. All positions are permanent unless otherwise specified.

L.I.N.K.S.

Lifestyles, Insights, Networking, Knowledge, Skills is the spouse's link to the Corps. The next LINKS session is tomorrow. The session is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Marine Corps Family Team Building Classroom (Building #14), aboard the depot. L.I.N.K.S. provides on-site childcare (reservations required in advance), lunch and other refreshments during the session. Call (619) 524-0916 for more information or to register for the

Motorcycle safety checks

In order to enhance depot safety and to ensure motorcycle operators have completed the required Motorcycle Safety Course, military police here continue to conduct random checks for Motorcycle Safety Cards of motorcycle operators stationed aboard the depot.

Motorcycle operators stationed aboard the depot must have their issued cards in possession. Operators no longer in possession of the safety card can contact the Provost Marshal's Office at (619) 524-4200 for assistance in getting a replacement card.

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Lt. Col. Robert W. Gates, commanding officer, 3rd Recruit Training Battalion, relinquishes his command July 11 to Lt. Col. Robert W. Jones, pictured on the left. Jones came from 7th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division. Gates is scheduled to report to Special Operations Training Group, Japan. Sgt. Maj. Robert E. Eriksson, battalion sergeant major, watches over. Cpl. Nick Galvin/Combat Camera

REGIONAL RECRUITING

Indy recruiters connect at school seminar

SGT. JASON GALLENTINE RS Indianapolis

"Being in the Marine Corps and being on a football team are very similar," according to Reggie Glon, head football coach and athletic director of Marian High School in Mishawaka, Ind.

According to Glon, a former enlisted Marine, both require leadership and teamwork in order to be successful. That's why he requested that his team participate in the Marine Corps Leadership and Character Development Seminar, hosted by the Marines of Recruiting Station Indianapolis, Ind., at Camp Atterbury, Ind., June 24.

Captain Robert B. Green, the departing operations officer of RS Indianapolis, said he wanted to create a seminar to provide high school football players with leadership training while allowing Marines to spend quality time with them.

Before participating in an open forum, athletes filled out personal goals and assessment sheets to evaluate themselves and each other, according to Green. This allowed them to identify weaknesses and strengths that would affect themselves and their teammates.

According to Green, the athletes were open and honest about their lives, which is the first step in getting to know each other. As their trust in each other increases they will pull closer together as a team, he said.

The remainder of the day concentrated on a boot-camp-style physical training session which included a team endurance course race and a leadership reaction course.

The physical aspect of the seminar shows the athletes' characters and who's willing to go beyond the limits, according to Green.

"The worksheets are just promises," Green said. "(The physical part) shows if they are willing to go beyond.'

According to Green, the idea for the seminars arose when RS Indianapolis participated in the Indiana state high school football and wrestling state championship matches last year. The Marines were looking for a way to be more closely involved with the athletes, and Kevin Wright, the Warren Central High School head football coach, was looking for an edge before returning to fight for a third

straight class 5A Championship. After meeting with Wright, Green said the two formed the plan for the seminar.

Since then, RS Indianapolis has also hosted a High School Football Coaches Leadership Seminar, where coaches from high schools and colleges across Indiana gather to share knowledge and insight on developing leaders on their teams.

Word soon spread about the Marine Corps Leadership and Character Development Seminar. Since its inception, Green has received approximately 13 requests to attend, including several from private

"We wanted to target private schools to get exposure (in those schools)," Green said. "I would recommend this program to any RS."

According to Staff Sgt. Kenneth M. McBride, recruiter, Recruiting Substation South Bend, the seminar gives the athletes a glimpse of the Marine Corps. It allows them to see that the Marine Corps is not just about fighting and rifles, but about leadership-building and team-building.

"I think kids like a challenge," McBride said. "This pushes the kids further and maybe they'll say, 'Hey, I want a harder challenge, like the Marine Corps."

According to Green, several students have shown interest. Last year, three athletes from Warren Central High enlisted.

Green, who attends many area high school football games, said he will continue to build his relationships with local schools.

Many teams, in turn, have elected to wear Marine Corps T-shirts under their jerseys during games, Green said.

Green forged some key relationships last summer with local school staff members. his fellow Marines haved worked to gain their

"The best kids in our target market are football players," Green said of the importance in building relationships like these. "(The seminar) allows us to spend a great deal of time with them in a non-recruiting environment."

During this single event with Marian High School, three athletes expressed interest.

"If it affects just one kid, and we can help that kid out, it's all worth it," McBride said.

TRICARE special

New support group available for diabetics

BY TRIWEST HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE Military Health

TRICARE beneficiaries with diabetes have a new, convenient support tool at their fingertips.

TriWest Healthcare Alliance has launched a new phone-in support group forum in response to suggestions from TRICARE beneficiaries who spotted the need for diabetes support.

"People who have had diabetes for a long time have expressed a need for a forum where they can discuss their feelings about having diabetes," said Kathi Sobera, director of TriWest's Population Health Improvement department. "This program is free to eligible beneficiaries under the age of 65, regardless of their benefit plan or other services they may be receiving."

The diabetes support group is open to beneficiaries and family members. Up to 15 people can participate per session. To enroll, call tollfree (888) 259-9378 and ask for the Diabetes Forum. The forums are held at 10 a.m. on the first Thursday of the month and at 4 p.m. on the third Thursday (times are Mountain Time).

The program encourages participants to speak openly and honestly about their experiences with diabetes and is facilitated by its developer, Jackie Magyar, a dietitian and a certified diabetes educator.

"This program provides a safe environment for beneficiaries with diabetes to share how their disease affects their lives and share experiences with others going through the same thing," Magyar said.

Future plans for this program include adding guest speakers to address specific questions and providing more sessions throughout the

Diabetes Warning Signs The symptoms of type 1 diabetes may in-

clude:

- Increased thirst.
- Increased hunger (especially after eating).
- Dry mouth.
- Frequent urination.
- Unexplained weight loss (even though you are eating and feel hungry).
- Fatigue (weak, tired feeling).
- Blurred vision
- Headaches.
- Loss of consciousness (rare).

Type 2 diabetes is usually not diagnosed until complications have occurred. Most often, there are no symptoms or a very gradual development of the above symptoms. In fact, about a third of all people who have type 2 diabetes don't know they have it. When hyperglycemia (high blood sugar) occurs, the symptoms can be the same as those listed above.

Other symptoms of type 2 diabetes may

- Slow-healing sores or cuts.
- Itching of the skin (usually around the vaginal or groin area).
- Frequent yeast infections.
- Recent weight gain.
- Velvety dark skin changes of the neck, armpit and groin, called acanthosis nigricans.
- Numbness and tingling of the hands and feet.
- Decreased vision.
- Impotency.

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Female koala Mimi bobs her head sleepily as she nods off in a tree. Koalas are known to spend up to 75 percent of their time sleeping.



other monkeys for its choice of healthy food.



Meerkats like the one above are known for sitting up on their haunches, which makes the curious creatures a fan-favorite.



In search of lunch, a hungry turtle pokes his head up to stare at onlookers on the other side of a protective rail.



SAN DIEGO ZOO
Service members invited to

Service members invited to monkey around free of charge

BY LANCE CPL. JAMES GREEN
Chevron staff

The San Diego Zoo, one of the world's most famous zoos, offers free admission to the park for active duty service members to experience a truly eclectic menagerie.

Discounted tickets for friends and family members are also available at Marine Corps Community Services ticket office.

"Folks in the military just have to show their military identification cards and come on in," said Christine L. Simmons, public relations manager, San Diego Zoo.

"During World War II, many services members were bivouacked in Balboa Park," said Simmons. "Since the zoo is right next to the park we opened our doors to them and left them open ever since."

Because it's so close to the depot, there is no excuse not to take a trip down to the zoo for an exotic experience featuring endangered animals from all over the world.

The wide selection includes more than four thousand animals including reptiles, sea

animals, marsupials, primates, and even foreign plants, flowers and trees.

The zoo is good for smaller children, because it is not a hectic as an amusement park, and the prices are a lot cheaper, too, said Nikki J. Thome, depot library technician.

A children's zoo is among the many exhibits offered at the zoo. This portion of the zoo allows kids to interact by petting and feeding the animals.

The San Diego Zoo has a unique arrangement featuring more than 800 species and subspecies and more than 700,000 exotic plants for visitors to enjoy.

"The layout of the zoo was great," said Yvonne M. Blenis, a spouse of a depot Marine drill instructor. "It's nice to leisurely walk through the park and look at the animals."

Guided bus tours are also available for an in-depth look at the zoo, administered by

the knowledgeable staff at the park.
"The zoo was very enjoyable," said Thome. "I like the tram ride, and the way they have

the enclosures set up really makes you feel like you can get closer to the animals."

Gift shops with an assortment of souvenirs and several places to get a bite to eat or something to drink are also available on the park grounds.

The zoo has extended its hours for the summer from now until Sept. 4. The park is open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

For more visitor information about prices and directions, visit www.sandiegozoo.org.



The Greater Indian one-horned Rhinoceros may look tough, but its skin is actually quite sensitive to sunburn and insect bites. This explains why they spend so much time wallowing in mud and water. While the bubbles they blow make spectators snicker, this rhino is just looking for refuge from the Southern California sun.

One of four elephants at the zoo drinks from a pool of water by using its trunk as a tool to ladle water into its mouth. Lance Cpl. James Green/Chevron photos

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Pvt. Estrada O. Edeyaoch, 22, and his nephew Pvt. Adrian N. Edeyaoch, 18, grew up together, and today they graduate from the same platoon. Lance Opl. James Green/Chevron

Uncle, nephew leave home island, graduate together

BY LANCE CPL. JAMES GREEN Chevron staff

Private Estrada O. Edeyaoch and his nephew Pvt. Adrian N. Edeyaoch never stepped foot in the U.S. until the day they stepped on the yellow footprints here.

The two Company I recruits left the small, tropical island of the Republic of Palau and transitioned to the challenging environment of Marine Corps recruit training.

While the two young men had different reasons for joining, they had the same idea of where they wanted to end up. "I joined the Marine Corps for my son," said Estrada, 22. "I wanted to be able to support him financially."

Adrian, 18, came into the Marine Corps with the intention of furthering himself in school with the financial aid the military could offer him.

Estrada said he and his nephew worked at a grocery store in Palau together before recruit training. A worry-free day of climbing coconut trees and fishing was their usual routine, he added.

Before joining the Marine Corps, Adrian and Estrada underwent a military entrance exam, offered twice a year on the island and proctored by a recruiter from a recruiting station in Guam.

Acclimatizing to their new surroundings was more difficult than the physical drain of boot camp, said Adrian. Having grown up on Palau the two spoke great Palauan,

but their English wasn't very polished. They both struggled to get through boot camp due to the natural language bar-

Basic English was taught at the Catholic missionary school they attended in middle and high school, but it wasn't enough to prepare them for life in the U.S.

"Sometimes I would want to say something, but I didn't know how to say it in English," said Estrada.

They used their native language to translate and decipher what the other one didn't understand, said Staff Sgt. Paul Ruiz, senior drill instructor, Platoon 3003.

The two Marines remembered getting into trouble as a pair. Adrian said if he got singled out by a drill instructor, he knew his uncle's name was going to be called next.

Apart from the major lifestyle adjustment and occasional homesickness, a physical problem also arose for one

Adrian lacked the strength for the hikes during field week, a week when recruits spend the majority of their time in the field at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Calif. Up until the "Reaper Hike" Adrian always fell into the back of the formation, said Estrada.

When the test came for Company I to hike a total of 10 miles and climb the 700-foot hill, however, Adrian showed his true Marine nature and accomplished his mission with-

Having persevered through the challenges in recruit training, Adrian and his uncle are excited about graduating from boot camp and the path leading them to Marine Combat Training at Camp Pendleton.

After MCT, the two will go their separate ways for military occupational specialty school where Adrian will study to become an aircraft maintenance technician and Estrada will pursue a career in legal administration.

Even when they part ways, they will accomplish and do great things, said Ruiz.

Only through hard work and dedication did the natives of Palau pass the physical, mental and moral challenges set before them as United States Marines.

1st Sgt. Justin D. LeHew

PARADE REVIEWING OFFICER

First Sgt. Justin D. LeHew was born Jan. 2, 1970 in Lima, Ohio and enlisted in the Marine Corps July 11, 1988. After graduating recruit training at Parris Island, S.C., LeHew reported to Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Calif. for training as an Assault Amphibian crewman.

Upon completion of school in January 1988, LeHew received orders to report to Company A, 2nd Assault Amphibian Battalion at Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, N.C. and deployed with Co. A in the spring of 1989 to Okinawa before moving to H&S Co. in the fall of the same year to deploy on Exercise UNITAS 31 to South America.

Upon returning from South America, LeHew immediately deployed to Southwest Asia with the battalion in January 1991 and participated in Operation Desert Storm.

After returning to the states in July 1991, LeHew transferred to Co. C for service as an Assault Amphibian Vehicle crew chief.

He then deployed with the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit as a section leader in April 1993.

In January 1994, LeHew received orders back to Camp Pendleton for duty as an instructor at the Assault Amphibian School.

From January 1994 to October 1996, LeHew served in a variety of billets at the school ranging from crew chief, class commander, platoon sergeant and classroom in structor. He also attended the Basic Vehicle Repairman Course during this time and received a secondary military occupational specialty as an AAV mechanic.

In October 1996, LeHew graduated Drill Instructor School at MCRD San Diego and reported to Co. G, 2nd Recruit Training Bn., where he served as drill instructor, senior drill instructor and academics

In January 2000, LeHew returned to Camp Lejeune for duty as a platoon sergeant with Co. D, 2nd Assault Amphibian Bn. Between April 2000 and June 2002, LeHew deployed numerous times with the company to Marine Corps Air Ground

Combat Center Twentynine Palms, Calif. for Combined Arms Exercises and battalion exercises in A.P. Hill, Va.

Highlighted tours during this period include humanitarian service with Task Force Betio, fighting forest fires in Salmon, Idaho and a deployment to Spain for Dynamic Mix 2002. In July 2002, LeHew transferred to Co. A as platoon sergeant for 3rd platoon and deployed in January 2003 to Operation Iraqi Freedom with Regimental Combat Team-2 Task Force Tarawa.

In June 2003, LeHew received orders for transfer once again back to Camp Pendleton for service with Co. A, 3rd AA Bn. In January 2004, LeHew was promoted to his present rank and reported for duty as first sergeant, Co. C, 1st Bn., 4th Marines deploying in May 2004 with the 11th MEU in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom II. LeHew is currently assigned to Co. A, 1st Reconnaissance Bn.

LeHew is married to the former Cynthia Cole of Colorado Springs, Co. and they have one daughter, Aisley, 13.

LeHew's personal decorations include

the Navy Cross, Bronze Star with Combat "V," Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with gold star and the Combat Action Ribbon with gold star.





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A Company I recruit prepares to descend the rappel tower here while Sgt. Juan F. Lopez, close combat drill instructor, Instructional Training Company, helps ensure safety procedures are followed. Lance Cpl. James Green/Chevron

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Sgt. Edgar I. Villa, Headquarters and Service Battalion quarterback, has his flag pulled 10 yards away from the end zone. H&S beat 3rd Recruit Training Bn. 19-0. Pfc. Charlie Chavez/Chevron photos

New H&S Bn. team mops up RTR in hopes of cup championship

BY STAFF SGT. JEFF JANOWIEC AND PFC. CHARLIE CHAVEZ Chevron staff

Flag football has kicked off for another season of the Commanding General's Cup tournament in 2006.

CG'S CUP The season began July 5, and during week one the Coast Guard forfeited to 3rd Battalion after a no-show. Head-quarters and Service Bn. overwhelmed the Communication Information Systems Department team 28-6. Recruit Training Regiment's Special

Training Company defeated the Provost Marshal's Office 12-6, and 12th District crushed the Navy Dental and Medical team 16-0.

After the second week of football ended July 11, a few teams victoriously left the field. H&S Bn. whitewashed 3rd Bn. 19-0, and the Coast Guard beat Marine Corps Community Services 8-7. District pummeled STC 14-2, and PMO beat the Navy team 13-7.

The teams have played hard, but there may be one that could be the team to beat in 2006.

G-3, who stopped RTR's winning streak to take first place in the Commanding General's

Cup 2005 flag football season, joined forces with H&S Bn. The new H&S Bn. team has started out strong by winning the first two games of the season.

The combination of the different players skills coming together will help the team as a whole, according to Sgt. Edgar I. Villa, depot color sergeant. Looking forward to the season with optimistic eyes comes easy to the returning G-3 players, he said.

Due to deployments and changes of duty station, the depot CG's Cup teams are constantly changing players.

RTR recently lost their star quarterback, 1st Sgt. Dathan C. Edwards, who led RTR as the only team to beat the G-3 champions last year.

G-3 Marines respected the departed RTR leader who gave them a run for their money.

"He was a great asset and a very talented quarterback, so now we are trying to find a replacement," said Staff Sgt. Francisco J. Corona, defensive lineman, 3rd Bn. "We are basically just cycling players through to see who can play."

While RTR searches for another player to take the place of its former quarterback, the games continue on with teams determined to take the Cup.

Depot CG's Cup events are weekly. For more information call Rachel Dickinson at (619) 524-0548.



Lance Cpl. Eric O. Folmar, wide receiver, Headquarters and Service Battalion, returns a kickoff for a touchdown early in the game against 3rd Recruit Training Bn.